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TODAY and TOMORROW

Although the majority of the changes in Maryland motor vehicle laws do not become effective until June 1, Maryland motorists already are feeling the effects of several acts passed at the recent session of the Legislature.

These are the emergency laws relating to registration of motor vehicles.

Under them the personal property tax on motor vehicles is abolished. In its place there is a flat \$15 fee for passenger cars up to 3,700 pounds and a \$22 fee for heavier automobiles.

Trucks and commercial vehicles are taxed on a graduate scale.

Coinciding with the introduction of the registration laws is an extension of the time in which 1947 tags must be displayed.

The recent assembly also made several clarifications of the State Motor Vehicle Responsibility Act.

It gave the commissioner of motor vehicles power to extend for five days the suspension date of a license when evidence is produced that final releases satisfactory to both parties in an accident are being negotiated.

The commission also is authorized to accept payment of a judgment from a debtor, when the creditor cannot be found. If within three years the creditor does not claim the judgment paid, the money reverts to the debtor.

The law also states that when the judgment is paid to the Motor Vehicles Commission, the license of the debtor shall not be suspended.

Under the 1947 Acts of the Legislature, streetcar operators are liable for the first time to punishment for operating a vehicle while under the influence of narcotics or intoxicants.

Other changes in the laws:

Authorize filing of accident reports within 48 hours, instead of "immediately" as at present.

Create a medical advisory board to pass upon applicants for licenses who are suspected of mental or physical disability.

Make it a misdemeanor to attempt by misrepresentation to obtain a motor vehicle license.

Provide that if a vehicle is registered in a trade name, other than its owner's a resident agent must be designated to accept service in lawsuits arising out of operation of the vehicle.

Give the State Roads Commission the power, upon recommendation of the Baltimore Police Department, to reduce speed limits in the city if safety requires such reduction.

Prohibit the discharge of unsanitary matter on the highways or rights of way. Maximum punishment is a fine of \$100 and three months' imprisonment.

HEALTH PROGRAM IS SEEN HAMPERED

The State school health program is hampered by lack of information and interest on the part of both parents and educators, Dr. Thomas C. Ferguson, supervisor of physical education and recreation for the Department of Education, said yesterday.

Dr. Ferguson spoke at the twenty-seventh annual conference of the State Department of Health, which sponsors the program with the Department of Education. The conference was held in Bennett Hall, Goucher College.

"A large percentage of parents, educators and community groups neither are fully aware of the health conditions of our youth nor possess enough information and interest to help with the program at this time," Dr. Ferguson said.

EDUCATOR CRITICIZES HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULA

Dr. Charles A. Prosser, former Dunwoody Institute, Minneapolis, asserted "more than half of American high-school youth are not now receiving adequate preparation for life and a job from the present courses of study."

Addressing a national high-school planning conference, called by the United States Office of Education, Dr. Prosser said the courses offered "to some 3,000,000 boys and girls who neither enter college nor go into the skilled trades, do not prepare them either vocationally or culturally."

Shore Women Prepare For Club Meeting In Baltimore

With the semi-annual meeting of their District now a pleasant memory the Women's Clubs of the Eastern Shore are looking forward to the annual meeting of the Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs, which will be held in Baltimore on May 19th and 20th at the Southern Hotel.

Since there will be an election of officers for the State Federation at this meeting, and especially since the Eastern Shore District has a candidate selected by the Nominating Committee for Recording Secretary, Mrs. Thomas W. Fleming, president of the Shore District, is urging that all clubs send their quota of delegates.

The Shore candidates for office in the state organization is Mrs. Roland C. Plummer of St. Michaels, at the present time corresponding secretary for the Eastern Shore District. She is a former member of the Junior Women's Club of St. Michaels and is now a member of the Women's Club of St. Michaels. While in the Junior Club she held, at various times, the offices of president, vice-president and secretary. Mrs. Plummer has also been a Page at State Conventions. She is

Past Worthy Matron of the St. Michaels Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, and is serving as second vice-president of the Women's Club of St. Michaels of this time.

Other candidates selected by the nominating committee are: President District, Mrs. Ray D. Whitlock, president of the third of Baltimore District, Miss Alma H. Preinkert, corresponding secretary for the M. S. W. C., and Registrar of the University of Maryland, Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Alvin D. Stokes, president of the Women's Club of Govans, and Treasurer, Mrs. John T. Scheidy, second vice-president, Montgomery County Federation.

Besides the business sessions of the State meeting, there will be a Tea on Monday, the opening day in honor of the candidates for the various state offices, and a banquet Monday evening.

The election will take place on Tuesday morning. This will be followed by a luncheon and Tuesday evening there will be banquet in honor of the newly elected officers of which the Eastern Shore District is confident Mrs. Plummer will be one.

SHORE LEAGUE BASEBALL GETS UNDER WAY

The Eastern Shore Baseball League will have new managers at the helm of six of the eight clubs, opened its 1947 season last night.

Contrivance, which won the pennant last year by eleven and one-half games and swept to victory in the post-season playoffs transferred its franchise to Rehoboth Beach where the National League Pittsburgh Pirates constructed a \$25,000 plant.

In last night's opening games, Dover played at Salisbury, Federalburg at Seaford, Easton at Salisbury and Rehoboth Beach at Cambridge. The schedule will be revised for the opening games to day.

League President J. Thomas Eblor of Chestertown, said that upwards of 10,000 persons were expected to turn out for the opening, which were to be preceded by appropriate ceremonies.

New managers this year are Joe Antolick at Easton; Roy Nichols at Cambridge; Pep Rambert at Federalburg; Dick Carter at Dover; Bobby Westfall at Seaford; and Gordon McKinnon at Rehoboth Beach. Hal Conthill was retained at Salisbury, and Millies at Millford.

WEATHER AND CROP REPORT FOR THE WEEK

Freezing temperatures and frost were general on April 28th and 29th. Frosts in southern counties was light. This period of cool weather was followed by very warm weather on April 30 and May 1. With most stations reporting temperatures in the 80's. The last three days of the period were rather cool. Rain occurred on every day over some portion of the section. Intense thunder storms and hail were reported on April 30 and May 1.

On the Del Mar Peninsula most grains are reported in excellent condition, but some counties in the southern section report the grain turning yellow due to cold and wet weather. Some farmers have planted corn. The planting of truck and garden crops has been delayed due to wet weather. Peas are growing nicely, early potatoes are up, tomatoes and cabbage are being planted as the weather permits.

Peaches, pears and cherries in some sections have been reported damaged but the extent of damage has not yet been ascertained. Indications are that other fruits were damaged little or not at all. Strawberries are in full bloom, although it is believed some damage was caused by light frost this week. Pastures are in good to excellent condition, and plowing is mostly done.

FEDERALSBURG ENTERS TEAM IN TRI-COUNTY LEAGUE

The boys of Federalburg community have organized a softball team and entered the Tri-County Softball League. The league consists of six clubs and will open its season on Sunday, May 11.

The local boys team will play its first game with Cambridge at Federalburg on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 P. M. All of Federalburg's home games will be played on the High School playground.

Methodists To Convene Next Week In Wilm.

The eight annual meeting of the Peninsula Conference of the Methodist Church will be held May 15 to 19, in Union Methodist Church, Wilmington.

Represented will be the Salisbury district, Easton district, Dover district and Wilmington district.

Bishop Charles Wesley Flint of the Washington area, Methodist Church, will preside at the conference sessions. The opening address will be given by Bishop A. Frank Smith, of Houston, Texas. He also will speak each afternoon at 4 P. M. during the conference and on Sunday night, May 18. Bishop Smith will give an address on evangelism.

More than 60 pastoral changes, the largest number since 1940, are expected to be made at the meeting. Last year there were 55 changes in the conference.

The Rev. Dr. Oliver J. Collins, superintendent of the Wilmington district, will end his term in that capacity, and another superintendent, the Rev. Ralph C. Jones, of the Salisbury district, will complete his term.

Other speakers will include Dr. A. Roy Hutchinson, of the General Board of Missions with headquarters in New York, T. Blair Ely is chairman of lay activities for the conference.

The Rev. Dr. W. P. Roberts, pastor of Mt. Salem Church, is in charge of the board of Christian Education.

The memorial service for those in the church who died during the past year will be led by the Rev. A. T. McFarland, pastor of Calvary Community Church.

TRAFFIC SHOW BIG GAINS

Traffic on Maryland's two toll bridges and on the Chesapeake Bay ferries showed a sizeable gain for the month of April, as compared with last year.

On the Susquehanna span a total of 353,473 cars and trucks were reported for the month, a gain of over six per cent. 48,818 vehicles used the Potomac river bridge in April for an increase of thirty-one per cent over last year.

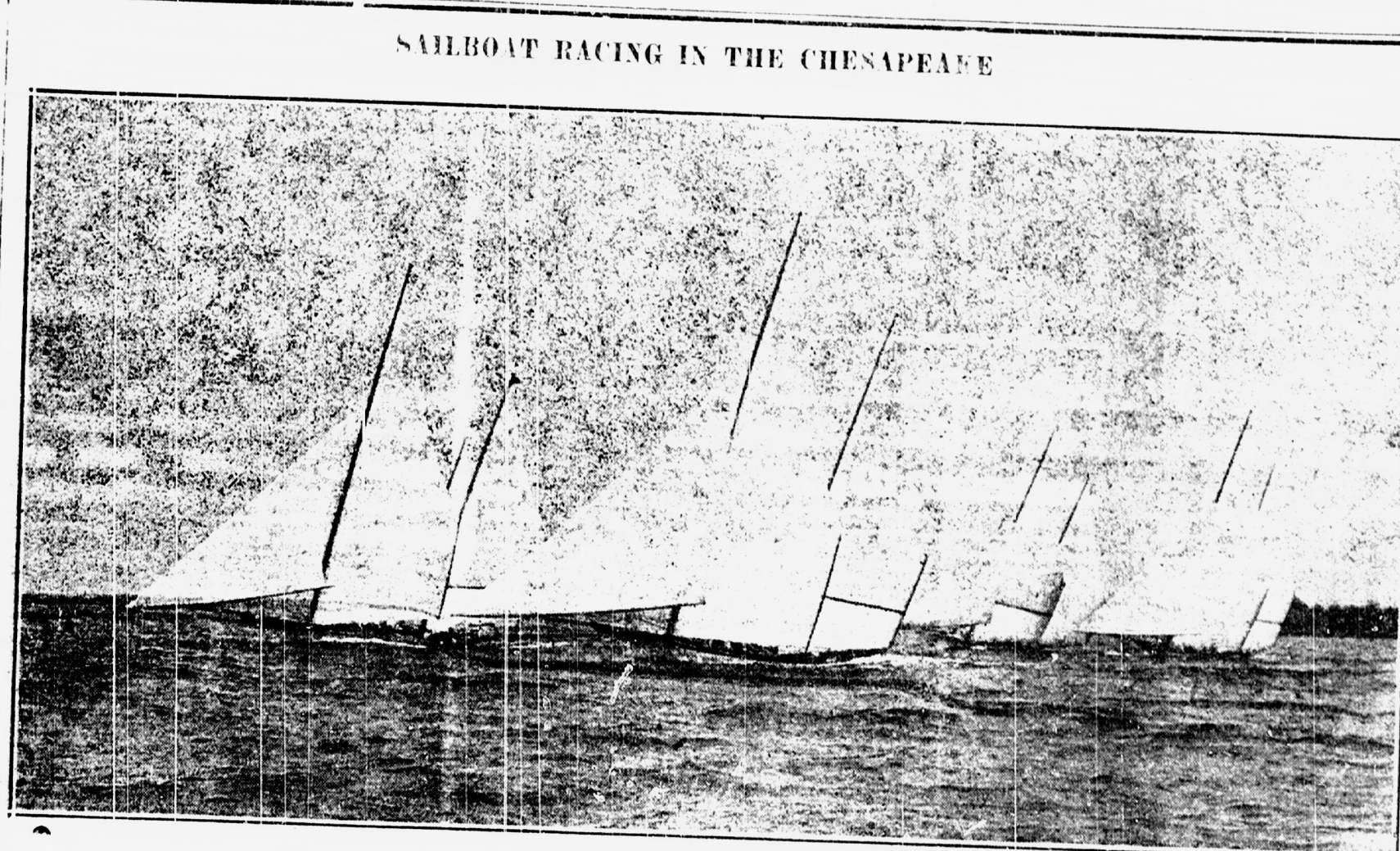
Traffic on the bay ferry was up nearly 19 per cent with the total for the month reported at 40,458 cars, buses and trucks.

STATE COUNCIL, D. OF A. MEETS IN BALTIMORE

Members of the State Council of Maryland, Daughters of America, will hold their fifty-second annual session of the council Monday and Tuesday in the Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore. Mrs. Mamie Bell, State Councilor, will preside.

A banquet and dance will be held Monday night, following the business session and memorial services during the day.

On Tuesday there will be an election of officers, a luncheon in honor of Mrs. Bell and at night a public installation and fancy drill.



Scenes Like This Will Soon Be Repeated As Racing Season Approaches.

SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR PENSION BOOST BACKED

The Veterans Committee approved unanimously a bill to increase by twenty per cent the pensions of 185,000 Spanish-American War veterans and their dependents. The bill goes to the House for action.

The cost is estimated at \$27,450,000 in the first year. After that deaths are expected to reduce the amount.

Spanish War veterans now get \$62 a month at the age of 62 and \$75 at age 65.

DELMARVA FIREMEN TO CONVEY TUESDAY

The eighteenth annual session of the Delmarva Firemen's Association Convention will take place in Parkside, Virginia, next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, May 13, 14 and 15.

Delegates from the Dorchester County fire departments will attend and take part in the parade.

UNDER SUSPENSION

Licenses and registrations of nearly 5,000 motorists were under suspension at the end of April for failure of the drivers and car owners to meet requirements of the motor vehicle financial responsibility law, it was reported this week.

W. Lee Elkin, commissioner of motor vehicles, said that of the 4,832 suspension orders in effect as of May 1 under the State's responsibility act, 3,875 applied to Marylanders and 957 to out-of-State motorists.

The number of motorists under suspension showed a net gain of 442 during the month of April, he said.

All were involved in accidents which occurred prior to February 28. A 60-day period is allowed by law for the posting of security or a certificate of insurance to cover injuries and damages.

At the end of April, the financial responsibility act had been effective for six months. In that time, 18,892 ten-day notices of suspension were mailed out from the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Of the 10,642 suspension orders subsequently issued, 5,811 were rescinded upon the posting of security or a certificate of insurance.

Assessing that "technical progress of itself may not win us new friends," General Eisenhower added that social and economic progress must catch up with technological advances.

"There has been, for that matter too much emphasis on the mere material productivity of our industrial techniques—the chrome plating, the automobiles, the radios, the automatic heating and air conditioning plants that are so common in this country and such priceless rarities to hundreds of millions beyond our shores," he said.

"But when these material advantages are joined in the minds of men with the possession of personal liberty, then the American way becomes synonymous for them with physical and political freedom, independence from cradery and disease, independence from the tyranny of other men. Our products, plus our leadership in things of the spirit, will win friends."

FIRST STATE-WIDE

PISTOL MATCH PLANNED

Plans are already underway for the pistol match to be held on July 16 at the Sparrows Point Police Department's range. Sponsored by the Maryland Police Association, the match is open to a wide variety of peace officers, and is not limited to members of the association.

NEW CONSERVATION PLAN HAS HELPED WILD LIFE

Canada's Superintendent of the Wildlife, Dr. Harrison F. Lewis, addressed the annual meeting of the North American Wildlife Conference at San Antonio, Texas, to report that present efforts have halted a tendency which, if continued, would have resulted in extermination of many species in a relatively short time.

"Without the help of this movement for protection, conservation, management, and education," Dr. Lewis said, "wildlife in Canada would be in dire straits. Humanity has had to recognize that wildlife has value, and that intelligent action is necessary to maintain it. One of the important tools is the setting aside of reserved areas, nature parks, sanctuaries, game preserves, and native hunting preserves."

"Another tool is a water management by engineering. In regions where the natural water supply is often inadequate,"

"Fires, agriculture, and the cutting of forests were given as some causes contributing to the loss of wildlife," he said.

The fact that much of the larger part of northern Canada is not favorable to wildlife yet, since the climate is forbidding. The area does not receive enough heat from the sun to provide adequate warmth, and the scouring great floods which gave the land helps make even the seasonally ice-covered areas useless to sustain living things or contribute to commerce.

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AMERICANS WARNED OF

'HATES' THAT BRING WAR

In this "age of flight," says Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, "there is no room for the old rivalries and prejudices, the greeds and hates that divided nations in the past."

"The international expression of these views was in war, and war has grown in evil as the world has shrunk in distance," the Army Chief of Staff said at the annual dinner of the Wings Club in New York this week.

General Eisenhower told the leaders of the aviation industry present that "unless our planes carry to the people of other lands, new inspiration, new guidance, new courage in the improvement of relations between men, we will fail a national responsibility."

When commissioned as second lieutenants, they will receive monthly pay and allowances ranging from \$336 for single officers to \$372 for married officers. They must agree to remain in service for the duration of the emergency plus six months or for three years unless sooner relieved.

Often judged the world's best and safest pilot training program, the Army Air Forces aviation cadet course places equal emphasis on military training, ground school, classes and flight instruction.

Under war-trained and combat proven officers who applied aerial tactical principals in all parts of the world, the cadets receive "re-vitalized" training brought up-to-date by the integration of new developments and experiences in the same kind of a course which proved its success during the war.

Detailed information and necessary application forms can be obtained from any recruiting office, Army Air Forces installation or Civil Patrol unit.

The completed application form, accompanied by documentary evidence of the applicant's date place of birth, three letters of recommendation and a scholastic record transcript, must be forwarded to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C., or to the nearest Army Air Forces supply branch, Department of Agriculture.

AVIATION TRAINING OPEN TO CIVILIANS AND SERVICE MEN

The first Army Air Forces aviation cadet pilot training class since VE-Day to be open to civilians as well as to enlisted men. From all components of the Army will begin July 1 at Randolph Field (San Antonio), Texas. Five hundred cadets will be selected for the 52-week course which leads to a commission and a pilot's rating in the Army Air Forces.

A second class of 500 will begin training October 15, and a third class March 1, 1948.

Applicants must be unmarried, male citizens between 18 and 28, and must have completed at least two years of college study or be able to pass a rigid written test measuring the equivalent. Before assignment to classes, applicants will undergo thorough physical examinations and aptitude tests to determine their fitness for flight training.

The Army Air Forces latest developments in training technique and aircraft, resulting from far-reaching research conducted during World War II, are being integrated in the expanded course of instruction.

Cadets will be trained in the use of recently perfected radar and electronics devices, jet and rocket propulsion, Ground Controlled Approach landing methods and for duty in all types of aircraft including the Lockheed P-80 Shooting Star.

The course is divided into three phases of training of which the first two, primary and basic instruction lasting approximately 25 weeks, are given at Randolph Field. The third phase, specialization in fighter aircraft or bombers, will be undertaken at Barksdale Field, (Shreveport), Louisiana or Williams Field (Phoenix), Arizona.

While in training, aviation cadets receive monthly pay of \$75 plus \$1 a day ration allowance. Cadets' uniforms and equipment are supplied by the Army Air Forces and a \$10,000 life insurance policy is underwritten at government expense for all cadets in training.

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Dorchester Seeks Return Of Rent Ceilings

Because of numerous complaints that rents on the Eastern Shore have been raised to unreasonable levels since rent control in the area was lifted May 1, an official appeal will be made to Washington to re-establish Federal ceilings, it was announced by Delegate Wesley Horner (R., Dorchester).

Further, Walter R. Heath, Maryland OPA rent executive, is going to Salisbury, Wicomico county, to investigate complaints which have been made to the rent control office there.

Delegate Horner said that rents in Cambridge have been raised as much as 160 per cent in some cases, with other increases ranging from 25 to 100 per cent.

At the request of constituents, he said, he has prepared a petition and circulated it among complainants. By the first of next week, he said, he and the protesting renters are going to Washington to ask for reestablishment of rent control, at least as far as Dorchester county is concerned.

Rent control in Dorchester, Wicomico, and Worcester counties, on the Shore, was terminated May 1 under a Presidential order, after having been in effect since June 1, 1945.

When the State Legislature passed the Ellison bill at the recent session giving the counties the right to establish local rent controls when Federal ceilings were lifted, all three of the Eastern Shore counties were exempted from the provisions of the bill at the request of the county delegations themselves.

Last night Mr. Horner said Dorchester was exempted without his knowledge and was left out by other members of the delegation. "I didn't know anything about it," he said, "but I'm not accusing anybody."

The other delegates from Dorchester county are D. Floyd Brinsfield, Charles E. Edmondson, and Frederick C. Malkus, all Democrats.

Mr. Edmondson said while he had not received any complaints personally about drastic increases in rents he "had heard quite a bit about it on the streets."

He said that Dorchester county was exempted from the Ellison bill by agreement of the delegation.

"At the time the bill was up for consideration there was no opposition to exemption of the county. Of course, we didn't know when Federal control would be lifted."

Mr. Malkus said the reason the county was exempted was because the county commissioners would want to be bothered with establishing local rent control.

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SHORE SPORTSMEN TO ATTEND HEARING

Representative Miller of the First (Eastern Shore) District, said early this week that a large group of sportsmen from the Eastern Shore and other sections of the State are expected to attend a hearing Friday by the Fish and Wildlife Service to discuss waterfowl regulations for the 1947 season.

Representative Miller said there is widespread interest in the matter on the Eastern Shore, and that he would attend the hearing if he could arrange to do so.

The Eastern Shore congressmen also said that representatives of the Tri-State Packers Association, of Easton, would go to Washington on May 9 to discuss suggestions that some of the surplus canned food be used in the foreign relief program. The matter will be discussed with Col. Stanley Anderson, of the international food and agriculture.